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PLEASE PASS THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO CHARLES BLITZER,
ASSISTANT SECRETARY, SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTE
FROM AMBASSADOR MOYNIHAN

DILLON APPARENTLY FELL SERIOUSLY ILL IN BHUTAN.
BLEEDING DYSENTERY. WE GOT WORD YESTERDAY, FRIDAY,
THAT HE FELT HE HAD TO BE BROUGHT OUT. WE ARRANGED
THE INDIAN AIR FORCE TO FLY HIM, FIRST BY HELICOPTER
THEN BY CARIBOU, TO CALCUTTA WHERE THE BEST MEDICAL
CARE IN INDIA IS TO BE HAD. I HAVE JUST
SENT HIM THE FOLLOWING CABLE, TO AWAIT HIS ARRIVAL
THIS AFTERNOON, SATURDAY, AT ABOUT FOUR O'CLOCK.
QUOTE

FOR DILLON RIPLEY

WELCOME O INDIA. ONLY DILLON RIPLEY WOULD MAKE HIS
WAY OUT OF BHUTAN BY CARIBOU. LARRY PICKERING REPORTS
YOU ARE FEELING MUCH BETTER. REMEMBER THAT THE WHOLE
OF THE DIMINISHED AMERICAN PRESENCE IN INDIA IS YOURS
TO COMMAND. YOU WILL FIND LARRY THE MOST RESOURCEFUL AND
WILLING OF DIPLOMATS. ASK OF HIM WHAT YOU WILL. ARE THERE
FURTHER ARRANGEMENTS WE SHOULD BE MAKING ABOUT YOUR FAMILY?

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IN ANY EVENT, TRY TO REMEMBER YOU ARE ON VACATON. LIZ

AND I WOULD BE DELIGHTED TO HAVE YOU COME DOWN AND REST
UP AT ROOSEVELT HOUSE. THE WEATHER IS, OF COURSE, GLORIOUS.
SO ARE THE BIRDS AROUND THE SWIMMING POOL, THE EXACT
IDENTITY OF WHICH WE ARE YET TO ESTABLISH. IS THERE NO
HOPE OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FROM SMITHSONIAN? WARM
REGARDS AND DO COME.
PAT MOYNIHAN

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MOYNIHAN

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